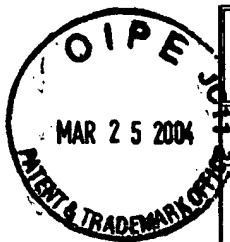


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Docket No.
23452-090

In re Application of: **Brendan P. MURRAY et al.**

Serial No.
09/384,371

Filing Date
August 27, 1999

Examiner
P. Edouard

Group Art Unit
2654

Invention: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EVALUATING CHARACTER SETS TO DETERMINE A BEST MATCH
ENCODING A MESSAGE

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 25, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows:

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☒ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

The requested extension is as follows: *(\$950.00 less \$420.00 two month extension paid 2/25/04).

☒ Large entity

☐ Small entity

Verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. 1.27:

☐ Is enclosed.

☐ Has already been filed in this application.

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The fee for the extension of time is *\$530.00 and is to be paid as follows:

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Charge the amount of the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0311. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311.

☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0311. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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